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For more information, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at 812-349-3700 or visit us at bloomington.in.gov/parks. Register at bloomington.in.gov/parks or stop by the office at City Hall, 401 N. Morton St., Suite 250.



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Inclusive approach to recreation: All City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation programs are inclusive to people with and without disabilities. Please contact our Inclusive Recreation Coordinator for more details: Amy Shrake, CTRS, 812-349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.



at the Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

For information about the league or season, contact league coordinators Scott Pedersen at 812-349-3774 or Chelsea Price at 812-349-3769.

Season II

The Bloomington Youth Basketball league focuses on basketball fundamentals and the application of learned skills. Leagues are coed through grade 3; girls play in a girls-only league beginning in grade 4. Season includes weekly practices and games one night a week. Teams practice two nights a week for the first two weeks of the season, then one night a week for the remainder of the season.

Practice times and days are determined by the volunteer coach! Times can vary between 5:30-9:30 p.m. based on the volunteer coach's schedule. Parent/player requests for placement on specific teams are not accepted. All requests must be submitted by volunteer coaches.

Season runs October 15-December 20. Practices begin the week of October 15. Games begin the week of October 29. Registration deadline is Friday, September 28. Registrations are not accepted after the deadline. Games and practices are not held the week of November 19.

Space is limited to a maximum number of players per age group. Once the maximum number of players is reached for each league, registration for that league will close. If your child's league fills, you may opt to place your child's name on a wait list. We will contact you if space becomes available.

Leagues, Game Days, and Registration Codes Grade K • W • 350302-A Grade 1 • M • 350302-B Grade 2 • Tu • 350302-C Grade 3 • W • 350302-D Grade 4 Boys • Tu • 350302-F Grade 5 Boys • Tu • 350302-G Grade 6 Boys • M • 350302-H Grades 4-6 Girls • Th • 350302-E \$85 • Register by 9/28.

REQUIRED Evaluation Day:

In response to parent and coach feedback, and to ensure a fair distribution of skills per team, we will conduct a coach's draft.

These mandatory sessions are:

Grade K • 10/1 • 5:30 p.m.

Grade 1 • 10/1 • 6 p.m.

Grade 2 • 10/1 • 6:45 p.m. Grade 3 • 10/1 • 7:15 p.m. Grade 4 Boys • 10/2 • 6:15 p.m.

Grade 5 Boys • 10/2 • 7 p.m. Grade 6 Boys • 10/2 • 7:30 p.m. Grades 4–6 Girls • 10/2 • 5:30 p.m.

Make-up session 10/3 • 5:30 p.m.

COACHES NEEDED: If interested in volunteer coaching, visit bloomington.in.gov/parksvol.

Mandatory Coaches Meeting and Coach Draft at the Twin **Lakes Recreation Center:** Coaches are strongly encouraged to attend evaluations in preparation for the draft!

Grades K-3: Wednesday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m. **Grades 4–6:** Thursday, October 4 at 5:30 p.m.

All selected coaches must complete an online coaching certification course from the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA). The certification fee for each coach is \$25. The online training is available at www.nays.org.



NEW! Saturday, September 15 8-10 p.m. • \$5 For all ages.

The Waldron, Hill and Buskirk Park, 331 S. Washington St.

- Black lights, neon paint, and rockin' music combine for a glowing good nighttime dance party!
- Wear white and paint yourself with every hue at the neon paint station.
- Take a color photo in the glow booth and hit the dance floor to move to the beat and be splashed with even more neon paint.
- Free glow sticks to the first 100 people, or bring your own and light up the night.



Summer fun ... when school's out!



Break Day	Code	Fee	Register by
·	345101-A		
Tuesday, October 9	345101-B	\$35	10/1

Allison-Jukebox Community Center, 351 S. Washington St. • 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Break Days are for students in grades K-6.

Registration fee is \$35/student/day. There is a \$5 late fee applied to registrations received after the deadline as space allows. Students bring their own lunches.

To register, visit bloomington.in.gov/break-days to download the registration and health forms. Register in person at the Bloomington Parks and Recreation office inside City Hall.

Break Days are inclusive, serving camp-ready children with and without disabilities. Reasonable accommodation requests must be made at least two weeks prior to the registration deadline. Scholarships for Break Days are available through the Bloomington Parks Foundation. The deadline to apply for Break Days scholarships is one week prior to the registration deadline.

For more information, contact Amy Shrake at 812-349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.

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Nature and the Outdoors

Price is per person. Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult. Activities may be both inside and outside, so please dress for the weather.

Junior Naturalist Programs

Through explaining the diversity of life and habitats that exist within Bloomington, the Junior Naturalist series allows participants to further appreciate and respect nature.



Sundays from noon-2 p.m. For ages 5-15 yrs. \$10/in-city, \$12/non-city **Instructor: Becky Jania**

Junior Naturalist: Wildlife

In this program, participants are led on an interactive hike around Griffy Lake to learn about local wildlife and different techniques used by wildlife biologists to track and study mammals, birds, and reptiles. Learn to walk quietly and tread lightly while exploring, to keep from crushing insects or plants. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a water bottle.

9/16 • Register by 9/10 • 340002-A Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.

Junior Naturalist: Forestry

This part of the Junior Naturalist series introduces participants to a range of topics from forestry, plant identification, outdoor ethics, and stewardship. This hands-on introduction to the world of forestry and environmental management will allow participants to explore tools and techniques used by professionals in the field. Participants will Adopt-a-Tree with a conservation pledge and leave with a personalized certificate. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a water bottle.

9/23 • Register by 9/17 • 340003-A Bryan Park, 1001 S. Henderson St., Henderson Shelter

Junior Naturalist: Aquatic Ecology

Explore water ecology in this final part of the Junior Naturalist series. Aquatic ecologists examine fresh water areas such as streams and wetlands to better understand the biodiversity and health of an ecosystem. Plan to get wet as we collect water samples and use scientific tools to identify microscopic and macro-invertebrates that live in the water. Come prepared for water activities and to take a short hike.

9/30 • Register by 9/24 • 340005-A Leonard Springs Nature Park, 4685 S. Leonard Springs Rd.

Foraging for Food

Foraging for your food can be a fun and frugal way to eat! Edible plants found in the forest can enhance your usual dishes, like mushrooms for your pasta or natural remedies for common ailments. We will discuss safe practices and useful identification techniques that will allow you to become more comfortable foraging on your own. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a water bottle. Instructor: Becky Jania Sa 9/29 • 1-2:30 p.m. • Register by 9/24 • 340004-A

\$5/in-city, \$6/non-city • For all ages. Leonard Springs Nature Park, 4685 S. Leonard Springs Rd.

Sunset Photography on Your Phone



Take advantage of the evening light to hone your outdoor photography skills, and learn how to take beautiful photos with just your phone! We'll be in a beautiful park in a spot that offers views of hills, streetlights, and landscapes where we will discuss techniques for shooting in limited light. Get unique photos that are worth sharing on social media with #btownparks! All you need to bring is your smartphone. Instructor: Cory Hawkins

Su 9/30 • 7-8 p.m. • Register by 9/24 • 340006-A \$2/in-city, \$3/non-city • For all ages. Bryan Park, 1001 S. Henderson St., North Shelter



2100 S. Henderson St. • Open October 12-March 1 Ice Information Hotline: 812-349-3741

Public Skating

The ice arena is open for general admission public skating during these times:

Monday through Friday: Noon-2:30 p.m.

Friday: 7-9 p.m. **Saturday:** 1:30-3 p.m.

7–9 p.m. (Lunar Skating) 9:15-11 p.m. (Night Owl)

Sunday: 3-5 p.m.

Rates

General Admission: \$6 Skate Rental: \$3

New Skate Sharpening: \$10

Skate Sharpening: \$5 and \$6 (immediate service)
Economy Pass: \$54 (10 sessions, excludes skate rental)

Party Room Rental

This climate-controlled, rinkside room offers space for up to 20 guests. Call Dee Tuttle at 812-349-3762 to reserve.



at Frank Southern Ice Arena

An ice skating lesson curriculum that helps skaters progress confidently through skating skills!

Open House:

October 11 • 5:30-7 p.m. October 13 • 10:30 a.m.-noon

Session I Dates:

Thursdays:

October 18-December 13

Fridays:

October 19-December 14

Saturdays:

October 20-December 15

\$75/in-city, \$85/non-city for all sessions except Figure Skating, which is \$95/in-city, \$105/non-city

Register by 10/17. Classes do not meet November 22-24.

bloomington.in.gov/recreation/sports/skating

Have a scary good time!

Skate & Scare



For all ages. • \$6 per person • \$3 skate rental



The COOLEST game in town

An instructional league for the beginning through advanced hockey player.

October 22-February 15 Registration is ongoing.

6U (DOB 2013/2012) • 325017-A M 6-7 p.m. and F 5:45-6:45 p.m. 8U (DOB 2011/2010) • 325017-B M 6-7 p.m. and F 5:45-6:45 p.m.

10U (DOB 2009/2008) • 325017-C M, W 7-8 p.m.

12U (DOB 2007/2006) ● 325017-D Tu 6-7 p.m. and W 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Girls Ice Hockey (DOB 2000-2009) ● 325017-E W 5:45-6:45 p.m. and Sa 9:15-10:15 a.m.

In-city: \$170 6U/\$260 8U, 10U, 12U and Girls Non-city: \$185 6U/\$275 8U, 10U, 12U and Girls

For more information, contact John Turnbull at turnbulj@bloomington.in.gov or 812-349-3712.

Hockey Initiation

This program provides a safe and positive experience for beginning hockey players. The primary focus of instruction is on correct skating,



puck introduction, active games, and hockey basics. Equipment required: a bicycle helmet, hockey stick, and

a pair of any type of gloves.
Su 10/28-12/9 ● 1:45-2:45 p.m.
Register by 10/25 ● 325018-A
\$50/in-city, \$55/non-city ● For ages 5-14 yrs.